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## Black Pot Beach Park reopens to the public

HANALEI – The Department of Parks and Recreation is announcing that Black Pot Beach Park in Hanalei is now open to the public today, July 22.

"Construction work at Black Pot remains ongoing, however, we know the public is eager to return to their iconic park and therefore we've decided to have a soft opening of the park," said Mayor Derek S.K. Kawakami. "Parking and temporary restroom facilities are available for park users while we continue to work on the permanent comfort station and additional parking areas. We ask the public to please continue to heed signage and other new park rules so that we can continue to keep the park open throughout the remainder of the construction period."

Recreational boaters will be allowed to use the mauka boat ramp between 5 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily. Recreational boaters will also be allowed to use the Weke Boat ramp between the hours of 10 p.m. and 5 a.m. after obtaining a Recreational Use Permit from the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Camping at Black Pot remains closed until construction of the comfort station is complete.

"We ask for the public's continued patience over the next year as we will be continuing our park masterplan process," said Director of Parks and Recreation Patrick Porter.



To obtain a recreational boater permit for the overnight use of the Weke Boat Ramp, or for more information on Black Pot Beach Park, please contact the Department of Parks and Recreation at 808-241-4456.

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